





State Water Resources Control Board

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(Via email and Certified Mail)
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SUBJECT:

NOTICE OF VIOLATION; UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEM LOCATED AT THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES CUSTOMS AND BORDER PATROL, 300 FERRY STREET, SAN PEDRO

Dear Mr. Ramirez:

As part of an initiative by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to ensure compliance at government-owned and/or operated underground storage tank (UST) facilities in California, the State Water Board staff inspected the USTs at your facility on October 8, 2015, pursuant to authority under Health and Safety Code (H&SC), chapter 6.7, section 25289.

The State Water Board has identified the following violations pursuant to H&SC, chapter 6.7, and title 23, California Code of Regulations (CCR), chapter 16:

No.	Violation	Tank	Start Date	Stop Date	Regulation
1	Failure to Maintain Operating Permit – The facility permit to operate is expired.	Diesel	October 8, 2015	Ongoing	H&SC 25284(a)
2	Failure to Maintain Monitoring Plan Onsite – The monitoring plan in CERS has not been approved by the CUPA.	Diesel	October 8, 2015	Ongoing	23 CCR 2712(i)
3	Failure to Submit or Update Facility and Tank Information (A & B Forms) – The tank information form in CERS contains errors and needs to be updated to include: installation date, pipe construction material, and type of corrosion protection. Also, verify that the piping system type is safe or conventional.	Diesel	October 8, 2015	Ongoing	H&SC 25286(a); 23 CCR 2711(a)
4	Failure to Submit or Update Plot Plan/Site Map – The site map does not show sufficient detail, it needs to include sensor information and locations.	Diesel	October 8, 2015	Ongoing	23 CCR 2711(a)(8)

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5	Failure to Maintain Evidence of Financial Responsibility Onsite – The CFO letter was not available at the time of inspection.	Diesel	October 8, 2015	Ongoing	23 CCR 2712(i)

You are directed to correct the ongoing violations and submit compliance documentation to the State Water Board and the Los Angeles City Fire Department within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter. Have your Designated Operator make specific notations in the next monthly designated operator report indicating the ongoing violations have been corrected. The monthly designated operator report and any associated photos must be submitted as proof of compliance.

Please send all compliance documentation to the following:

State Water Board

Ms. Rebecca Green
UST Enforcement Unit
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, California 95814
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Local CUPA

Mr. Aaron Mungaray
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Los Angeles City Fire Department
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Pursuant to Health and Safety Code, chapter 6.7, section 25299, the owner and operator of the tank(s) are liable for a penalty of \$500 to \$5,000 per tank, per day of violation. These penalties will continue to accrue until the violations have been corrected.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 341-5551, or by email at amantha.henkel@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Office of Enforcement

cc: See next page.

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